

REMARKS

Claims 17-40 are pending, and stand provisionally rejected for obviousness-type double patenting over:

- (a) claims 1, 5-7, and 9-24 of copending application no. 10/714,266;
- (b) claims 1, 5-7, and 9-27 of copending application no. 10/714,837; and
- (c) claims 1-29 and 40 of copending application no. 10/714,387.

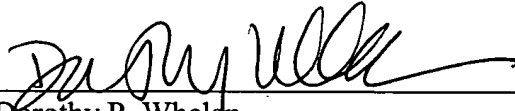
To address this rejection, applicants are filing a terminal disclaimer with this reply.

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